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STATE OF LOUISIANA
SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

LOCATION: STATE OF LOUISIANA

MONTH OF: AUGUST 1981

LEGALLY REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS ARE THOSE INVOLVING DEATH, BODILY INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) OR MORE IN THE ACCIDENT.

ACCIDENTS OCCURRING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT.

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON:

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I. MILEAGE RATES	THIS YEAR TO DATE	LAST YEAR SAME PERIOD	PERCENT CHANGE
A. Motor Vehicle Traffic Deaths		1579	
B. Estimated Motor Vehicle Mileage Traveled (Millions)	15361.56	15126.88	1.50
C. Death Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle-Miles		10.44	
D. Fatal Accident Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle-Miles			
E.			
F.			

II. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				TOTAL KILLED	NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED				
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage		Total	A Severe Injury	B Noticeable Injury	C Complaint of Injury	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	1947	30	849	1068	31	1166	75	649	442	
	B. Overturned on Road	31		24	7		29		20	9	
	C. Pedestrian	164	24	139	1	24	149	20	86	43	
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	8137	38	2894	5205	44	5085	145	1362	3578	
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	756	1	100	655	1	126	9	59	56	
	F. Railroad Train	22	3	11	8	7	16	5	4	7	
	G. Bicyclist	111	5	95	11	5	101	6	57	38	
	H. Animal	79	1	15	63	1	21	1	5	15	
	I. Fixed Object	264	3	118	143	3	161	11	90	60	
	J. Other Object	18		2	16		4		3	1	
	K. Other Non-Collision	48		21	27		24		16	8	
	TOTALS	11577	105	4268	7204	116	6880	272	2351	4257	

NOTE: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim to be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

III. COMPARATIVE TOTALS (Type of Accident)		SAME MONTH LAST YEAR			THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			CHANGE CUMULATIVE DEATH RECORD
		All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road							28931	437	16303	%
	B. Overturned on Road							858	21	791	%
	C. Pedestrian							2804	234	2740	%
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic							141749	723	78096	%
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle							18224	22	2348	%
	F. Railroad Train							461	30	300	%
	G. Bicyclist							1758	37	1630	%
	H. Animal							1428	2	310	%
	I. Fixed Object							6293	57	3223	%
	J. Other Object							550	3	141	%
	K. Other Non-Collision							870	13	386	%
	TOTALS							203924	1579	106268	%

N/A

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IV. LOCATION		A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State, Parishes, Cities, Towns, Villages, Etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, Parkway, Military, Freeway Authorities and Commissions, Etc.					
		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS	
		TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED	TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED
URBAN (ALL INCORPORATED PLACES HAVING 5,000 PEOPLE AND ALL ADJACENT BUILT-UP AREAS CONSIDERED URBAN BY SPECIAL RULES FOLLOWED IN 1970 CENSUS)													
A.	2,500 to 5,000	142		39	103		57	1		1			5
B.	5,000 to 10,000	494	4	134	356	5	217	1		1			2
C.	10,000 to 25,000	854	2	256	596	2	390	3			3		
D.	25,000 to 50,000	1066	4	328	734	4	530	3		1	2		2
E.	50,000 to 100,000	1190	3	330	857	5	509						
F.	100,000 to 250,000	1908	3	549	1356	3	841	23		3	20		3
G.	250,000 or More	852	13	598	241	13	987	61		35	26		59
	TOTAL URBAN	6506	29	2234	4243	32	3531	92		41	51		71
RURAL (ALL LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE)													
A.	Interstate Routes	333	3	136	194	4	247						
B.	Other U.S. Routes	1043	13	420	610	14	736						
C.	State Routes	2099	45	948	1106	48	1561						
D.	Parish Routes	1423	13	482	926	16	724	3			3		
E.	Toll Roads--Bridges							9	1	3	5	1	6
F.	Local Roads & Strts	21	1	4	16	1	4						
G.	Not Stated	47			47			1			1		
	TOTAL RURAL	4966	75	1990	2901	83	3272	13	1	3	9	1	6
	TOTAL URBAN & RURAL	11472	104	4224	7144	115	6803	105	1	44	60	1	77

V. TIME		TOTAL		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURDSAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Hour Beginning		ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
BEFORE NOON	A. Midnight	316	5	20	1	23		20	1	26	1	28		109	2	90	
	B. 1:00	271	4	14		20		17		30		28	1	95	1	67	2
	C. 2:00	261	6	15		16	1	16		24		27		94	2	69	3
	D. 3:00	200	6	15		9		11		18	1	23	2	66	1	58	2
	E. 4:00	160	6	8		12	1	12		19		17	1	54	1	38	3
	F. 5:00	150	7	13	3	15		15	1	19	1	18		43	1	27	1
	G. 6:00	226		50		23		21		30		33		37		32	
	H. 7:00	420		79		60		56		69		70		60		26	
	I. 8:00	397	4	80		61	1	69	1	59	1	66		37		25	1
	J. 9:00	409	2	68		46		68		53		63		65	1	46	1
	K. 10:00	494	2	97		62		73	1	67		62		85	1	48	
	L. 11:00	640	4	123		103		78	1	76		86		118	2	56	1
AFTERNOON	M. Noon	729	5	122	1	114	2	81		87	1	120		132	1	73	
	N. 1:00	688	3	121		81		99	1	96		106		122	2	63	
	O. 2:00	747	2	128		98		90	2	105		112		140		74	
	P. 3:00	944	3	179		131	1	111		123		171	1	135	1	94	
	Q. 4:00	920	5	179	1	124	2	127	1	114		162	1	134		80	
	R. 5:00	888	4	116	1	129		139		135	1	154		109		106	2
	S. 6:00	615	7	85	2	63	1	98		79	1	113		94	3	83	
	T. 7:00	448	7	74		41		49	2	48	1	76	1	85		75	3
	U. 8:00	465	5	61		53		57	1	36		96		97	2	65	2
	V. 9:00	455	6	60	2	52	2	50	1	48		90	1	86		69	
	W. 10:00	383	8	46	1	36		26	2	58	2	73	1	104	2	40	
	X. 11:00	351	4	35		37	1	38	1	48		80	1	77	1	36	
	Y. Not Stated																
	TOTALS	11577	105	1788	12	1409	12	1421	16	1467	10	1874	10	2178	24	1440	21

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VI. AGE OF CASUALTY	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED									NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED								
	TOTAL KILLED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS			TOTAL INJURED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
A. 0 to 4	2	2								267	130	137	16	13	3			
B. 5 to 9	6	5	1	4	3	1	1	1		254	127	127	21	13	8	13	11	2
C. 10 to 14	5	4	1	3	2	1	1	1		314	179	135	18	16	2	41	31	10
D. 15 to 19	21	19	2	3	3		1	1		1157	649	508	21	14	7	29	26	3
E. 20 to 24	20	15	5	1	1					1288	789	499	17	12	5	14	12	2
F. 25 to 34	27	23	4	7	6	1				1616	922	694	35	28	7	9	6	3
G. 35 to 44	13	9	4	2	1	1				759	417	342	17	12	5	2	2	
H. 45 to 54	5	3	2							511	257	254	11	9	2			
I. 55 to 64	9	8	1	2	2		1	1		384	199	185	5	4	1	1	1	
J. 65 to 74	4	4		2	2					197	85	112	1		1			
K. 75 & Older	3	3		3	3					76	33	43	2		2			
L. Not Stated	1	1								57	27	30	1	1				
TOTALS	116	96	20	27	23	4	4	4		6880	3814	3066	165	122	43	109	89	20

VII. AGE OF DRIVER	MALE	FEMALE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. 14 and Younger*	25	7	32	2	16
B. 15	169	96	265		80
C. 16	338	188	526	3	174
D. 17	476	208	684	4	254
E. 18	661	234	895	9	337
F. 19	586	252	838	9	308
G. 20 to 24	2878	1195	4073	29	1550
H. 25 to 34	3584	1785	5369	41	2149
I. 35 to 44	1651	898	2549	23	1001
J. 45 to 54	1202	570	1772	14	699
K. 55 to 64	922	398	1320	14	493
L. 65 to 74	476	212	688	4	241
M. 75 & Older	143	79	222		87
N. Not Stated	140	49	189	1	71
TOTALS	13231	6171	19402	153	7460
*Unlicensed Drivers					

VIII. TYPE OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Passenger Car	14713	92	5458
B. Passenger Car and Trailer	31		7
C. Truck or Truck Tractor	4488	39	1554
D. Truck Tractor, Semitrailer or Trailer	597	9	193
E. Other Truck Combination	101	1	28
F. Farm Tractor and/or Farm Equipment	12		1
G. Taxicab	83		53
H. Bus	68		34
I. School Bus	14		1
J. Motorcycle	309	12	249
K. Motor Scooter/Motor Bicycle	10		8
L. Bicycle	129	5	110
TOTALS	20555	158	7696
SPECIAL VEHICLES INCLUDED ABOVE			
M. Emergency (Including Privately Own)	93	1	43
N. Military Vehicles	11		2
O. Other Publicly Owned Vehicles	198	2	65
P. Others and Not Stated	964	12	165

IX. CONDITION OF DRIVER AND PEDESTRIANS	CONDITION OF PEDESTRIANS			CONDITION OF DRIVER		
	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Apparently Asleep	1	1		142	2	68
B. Inattentive or Distracted	48	8	40	4462	17	1564
C. Illness				15		10
D. Eyesight Defect				12		3
E. Fainting, Blackout, Etc.				28		21
F. Hearing Defect				5		1
G. Fatigued				22		8
H. Other Body Defects				10	1	5
I. Had Been Drinking	30	8	22	1375	35	772
J. Condition Unknown	31	6	25	1039	32	400
K. Normal	86	8	77	12292	66	4608
TOTALS	196	31	164	19402	153	7460

X. CONDITION OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Brakes	199	2	84
B. Defective Headlights	13	1	6
C. Defective Rear Lights	33	1	12
D. Defective Signal Lights	15		2
E. All Lights Out	10		7
F. Defective Steering	29		10
G. Tire Failure	75	2	27
H. Worn or Smooth Tires	94	3	52
I. Engine Failure	32	1	14
J. No Defects Observed	21034	159	7660
K. Other Defects	287	4	97
TOTALS	21821	173	7971

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XI. ROAD SURFACE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Dry	9642	97	3582
B. Wet	1909	8	676
C. Muddy	7		3
D. Snow	1		1
E. Other	18		6
TOTALS	11577	105	4268
A. Concrete	3964	24	1374
B. Blacktop	7352	77	2822
C. Brick	14		4
D. Gravel	154	4	44
E. Dirt	36		8
F. Other	57		16
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XII. ALIGNMENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Straight–Level	9595	68	3436
B. Curve–Level	1019	20	492
C. On-Grade–Straight	434	9	161
D. On-Grade–Curve	250	4	123
E. Hillcrest–Straight	111	1	47
F. Hillcrest–Curve	34		15
G. Dip, Hump–Straight	42		19
H. Dip, Hump–Curve	10	1	4
I. Other	87	2	21
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XIII. WEATHER CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Clear	7716	79	2844
B. Cloudy	2462	23	920
C. Raining	1375	2	493
D. Snow/Sleet			
E. Fog	15		6
F. Smoke			
G. Dust	9	1	5
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XIV. ROADWAY CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Shoulder	187	4	80
B. Holes	54		15
C. Deep Ruts	5		2
D. Bumps	84	3	35
E. Loose Surface Material	115	2	39
F. Construction, Repair	82	2	31
G. Overhead Clearance Limited	3		
H. Construction–No Warning	6	1	1
I. Previous Accident	10	1	4
J. Flooding	7		2
K. Water on Roadway	354	1	131
L. Orthogonal Fault in Road Surface	9		4
M. Parallel Fault in Road Surface	1		1
N. Other Defects	71	1	24
O. No Defects	10589	90	3899
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XV. TRAFFIC CONTROL	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Stop Sign	1762	7	654
B. Yield Sign	334		96
C. Red Signal On	1463		678
D. Yellow Signal On	96		34
E. Green Signal On	1588		611
F. Green Turn Arrow On	66		22
G. Right Turn on Red	6		1
H. Light Phase Unknown	219		106
I. Flashing Yellow	125	2	64
J. Flashing Red	74		31
K. Officer–Watchman	32		8
L. R.R. Crossing Sign	39	1	13
M. R.R. Crossing Signal	28		12
N. R.R. Crossing No Control	3		3
O. Warning Sign (School, Etc.)	161	5	59
P. School Flashing Speed Sign	1		
Q. Yellow No Passing Line	2611	45	1173
R. White Dashed Line	6363	75	2456
S. No Control	5877	31	1650
T. Other	993	7	300
TOTALS	21821	173	7971

XVI. LIGHT CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Daylight	8275	44	2866
B. Dark–No Street Lights	980	31	474
C. Dusk or Dawn	283	3	96
D. Dark–Continuous Street Light	1608	18	665
E. Dark–Lights at Intersection Only	431	9	167
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XVII. TRAFFIC CONTROL CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Controls Functioning	21565	163	7877
B. Controls Not Functioning	76		33
C. Control Obscured	71	3	24
D. Lane Marking Unclear or Defective	109	7	37
TOTALS	21821	173	7971

XVIII. TYPE OF ROADWAY	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. One-Way Road or Street	848	3	306
B. Two-Way Undivided Road or Street	6691	72	2371
C. Expressway	580	7	237
D. Other Divided Road or Street	2706	18	1145
E. Other	752	5	209
TOTALS	11577	105	4268

XIX. KIND OF LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Manufacturing or Industrial	310	2	111
B. Business Continuous	3397	11	1079
C. Business, Mixed Residential	3053	16	1133
D. Residential District	2300	18	787
E. Residential Scattered	876	20	416
F. School or Playground	114		41
G. Open Country	1291	37	602
H. Other	236	1	99
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XX.		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. VIOLATIONS	A. Exceeding Stated Speed	156	10	81
	B. Exceeding Safe Speed	275	6	135
	C. Failure to Yield	2176	6	771
	D. Following Too Closely	1082	2	444
	E. Driving Left of Center	218	9	87
	F. Cutting In, Improper Passing	217	1	47
	G. Failure to Signal	27		5
	H. Made Wide Right Turn	58		7
	I. Cut Corner on Left Turn	33		7
	J. Turned from Wrong Lane	162		38
	K. Other Improper Turning	241	5	71
	L. Disregarded Traffic Control	410		227
	M. Improper Starting	53		8
	N. Improper Parking	77	1	13
	O. Failure to Set Out Flags, Flares	8		6
	P. Failure to Dim Headlights	5		3
	Q. Vehicle Condition	109	2	41
	R. Driver Condition	612	13	358
	S. Other Violations (Hazardous)	6062	39	2011
	T. No Violation	9840	79	3611
	TOTALS	21821	173	7971
B. CONTRIBUTING FACTOR	A. Violations	10018	63	3395
	B. Movement Prior to Accident	201	4	69
	C. Vision Obscurements			
	D. Conditions of Drivers/Pedestrians	1269	28	727
	E. Pedestrian Actions	84	10	74
	F. Vehicle Conditions	2		2
	G. Road Surface	1		1
	H. Roadway Condition	1		
	I. Lighting	1		
	J. Weather			
	K. Traffic Control			
	L. Kind of Location			
	TOTALS	11577	105	4268
C. VISION OBSCUREMENTS	A. Rain, Snow, Etc. on Windshield	736	1	283
	B. Windshield Otherwise Obscured	11		3
	C. Vision Obscured by Load	59		5
	D. Trees, Bushes, Etc.	199		65
	E. Building	21		10
	F. Embankment	10		
	G. Sign Boards	5		2
	H. Hillcrest	47	2	20
	I. Parked Vehicles	264	1	95
	J. Moving Vehicles	356	3	121
	K. Blinded By Headlights	33	2	12
	L. Blinded By Sun Glare	32		13
	M. Distracted by Neon Lights in Field of View	2		1
	N. Other Obscurements	308	8	98
	O. No Obscurements	19728	156	7243
	TOTALS	21821	173	7971

XXI. NUMBER OF VEHICLES INVOLVED		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
	A. One Vehicle Collision	165	24	140
	B. One Vehicle Collision (Excluding Pedestrians)	2012	27	941
	C. Two Vehicle Collision	8693	50	2769
	D. Three Vehicle Collision	601	2	341
	E. Four or More Vehicle Collision	105	2	76
	TOTALS	11576	105	4267

XXII. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
	A. Crossing, Entering, Roadway at Intersection	36	4	32
	B. Crossing, Entering, Roadway not at Intersection	65	11	54
	C. Walking in Roadway–with Traffic	18	3	15
	D. Walking in Roadway–against Traffic	2	1	1
	E. Sleeping in Roadway	2	1	1
	F. Standing in Roadway	4	2	2
	G. Getting On or Off Other Vehicle	5		5
	H. Pushing, Working on Vehicle in Roadway	3	1	2
	I. Other Working in Roadway	4		4
	J. Playing in Roadway	9		9
	K. Other In Roadway	27	4	23
	L. Not In Roadway	21	4	16
	TOTALS	196	31	164

XXIII. EJECTION		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. DRIVERS	A. Not Ejected	40	107	1191	2299
	B. Partially Ejected	4	7	30	31
	C. Totally Ejected	15	14	37	10
	D. Unknown if Ejected		3	8	6
	E. Wearing Helmet	3	10	76	32
	F. Not Wearing Helmet	6	22	76	24
B. OCCUPANTS	A. Not Ejected	11	6	711	1691
	B. Partially Ejected	1	4	18	34
	C. Totally Ejected	2	8	24	17
	D. Unknown if Ejected	1	1	4	21
	E. Wearing Helmet			6	2
	F. Not Wearing Helmet	2	5	14	5

XXIV. SAFETY EQUIPMENT		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. SEAT BELT	A. Not Installed	16	52	248	261
	B. Installed Not in Use	54	158	1711	3337
	C. In Use (Told)		2	54	178
	D. In Use (Observed)	1	3	1	9
	E. Use Unknown	14	24	180	386
	F. Equipment Failed			1	1
B. SHDR. HAR.	A. Not Installed	24	61	381	486
	B. Installed Not in Use	47	150	1593	3164
	C. In Use (Told)		2	42	134
	D. In Use (Observed)	1	1	1	11
	E. Use Unknown	13	25	177	377
	F. Equipment Failed			1	

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